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day time limit for a preliminary hearing or indictment under F.R.Crim.P. 5.1(a), (c), and (d) be extended; and (b) time be excluded from calculation of the thirty-day time limit for information or indictment under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(b).

- 3. The parties make this request because the United States has provided and will continue to make discovery available to defense counsel and thus defense counsel needs time to review those materials, meet with the defendant and determine how to proceed. Specifically, defense counsel and the United States continue to discuss whether a pre-charge disposition is appropriate. Only after evaluating the evidence will counsel be in a position to evaluate what disposition is an appropriate one. He also believes it is his best interest to negotiate the case pre-indictment, and he cannot do that without evaluating the evidence. Accordingly, the extension and exclusion are required for effective preparation of defense counsel.
- 3. The Court finds that there is good cause for the extension under F.R.Crim.P. 5.1, and the exclusion under 18 U.S.C. § 3161, and that the ends of justice served by granting this continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and of the defendant in a speedy trial and the prompt disposition of criminal cases. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A). The Court further finds that failure to grant the continuance would deny counsel for all parties reasonable time necessary for effective preparation taking into account the exercise of due diligence under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(iv).
- 4. Accordingly, and with the consent of the defendant, the Court (1) sets a date before the duty magistrate judge on August 30, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., for setting a date for preliminary hearing and (2) orders that the period from August 15, 2007, to August 30, 2007, be excluded from the time period for preliminary hearings under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 5.1 and from Speedy Trial Act calculations under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A) & (B)(iv).

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